

## **RESOURCE DOCUMENT 1: GALLATIN COUNTY PROFILE**

## Gallatin County Growth Policy "A Shared Vision for a New Century"

## 1.5 "GALLATIN TODAY" MAPS.

The Gallatin County Planning Department, in association with the GIS Department, has developed a set of descriptive computer-generated maps describing various data layers. This set of maps, known as "Gallatin Today", is intended to illustrate significant physical and demographic information about Gallatin County. Such data is important for initial analysis of project impacts. As a screening tool, these data maps can help identify areas of potential concerns and the need for more detailed and more accurate information.

These maps were developed through extensive partnerships with other local, state and federal agencies. The data represents the cost-effective sharing of public information in a format which can be used to further the public interest.

The current set of maps in "Gallatin Today," available for review in the Planning Department, includes the following data layers:

- Agricultural Land (MDOR)
- Rangeland Potential (NRCS)
- Land Cover (NRCS)
- Developed Land (MDOR)
- Population Density (U.S. Census)
- Structure Density (Gallatin County GIS)
- Wells in the Local Water Quality District (LWQD)
- Septic Systems in the Local Water Quality District (LWQD)
- Water Wells in the LWQD Density Contours Through Time (LWQD)
- Seasonal High Water Tables (NRCS)
- Ungulate Winter Range and Riparian Areas (MFWP)
- Mapped Floodplains (Gallatin County GIS)
- Zoning Districts (Gallatin County GIS)
- GIS Mapped Parcels (Gallatin County GIS)
- Travel Distances (U.S.Census)

For specific information utilized in the "Gallatin Today" maps or any of the maps included in the resource documents, contact the Gallatin County GIS Department, the Montana State University's Greater Yellowstone Date Clearinghouse at <a href="http://www.mrc.montana.edu/gyadc">http://www.mrc.montana.edu/gyadc</a>, or the Montana State Library's Natural Resource Information System at <a href="http://nris.state.mt.us">http://nris.state.mt.us</a>.

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